

WHAT IS GOING ON TONIGHT

Moving Pictures at the Broad Theater.
Vandeville and Motion Pictures at Auditorium.
Are You a Mason?—at Broadway Theater.
Tonic Camp, No. 7894, M. W. A., meets in Pythian Hall.
Canton Club, No. 3, I. O. O. F., meets in Odd Fellows' Hall.
Court Session, No. 94, F. of A., meets in Eastern Hall.
Germania Lodge, No. 11, O. D. H. S., meets in Germania Hall.
Trolleyman's Union meets in Union Hall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Miss Helen Lathrop Perkins has resumed teaching at her residence studio, 52 Williams street.

WORLD'S BEST MOVING PICTURE AT THE AUDITORIUM.

"The best moving picture ever made." This sounds rather a broad statement to make, but it is one that may safely be made without fear of contradiction. The management of the Auditorium, ever on the alert for features of all kinds, certainly picked a winner when they booked this film, as it is without a doubt the peer of all moving pictures up to the present time. The title of the film is *Chloé & Phyléas* and it is produced by the studio of Turin, Italy, the firm who became famous in a day by their former masterpiece, the *Fall of Troy*. The *Fall of Troy* was, and is, a masterpiece of cinematographic art, but *Chloé & Phyléas* is as far ahead of the *Fall of Troy* as that film was ahead of all previous productions. The fire scene deserves special mention. It is wonderfully realistic and totally eclipses anything ever produced in this line. Today is the last chance to witness this special feature, and the Auditorium is as full today as it was yesterday. It will be necessary to be on hand early. Although the management of the Auditorium went to considerable extra expense to secure this \$30,000 feature, the admission charges remain the same.

The vaudeville changes today, and with the changes comes the old favorites, Fields and Hanson, the best known team of comedy musicians in this country. They are well known in Norwich and will doubtless receive a warm welcome. Charles Latham & Co., presenting the New York success, Spind, will be an important factor in the race for popular favor, as this act is one with touch of real human nature that will appeal to all. A Fool There is the way Happy Jack Inglis is billed, and his foolishness is of the kind that makes everyone forget their troubles.

BREED THEATER.

The bill of pictures at the Breed today is an unusually excellent one, and is headed by the great story of the west, entitled *The Ranchman's Son*. In this picture the ranchman's son is accused of a crime he did not commit and languishes in jail until the really guilty culprit is overwhelmed with the consciousness of wrong-doing and is seen to confess a flash on his pony, to save the life of the innocent fellow, who was convicted solely upon circumstantial evidence. This ride is a masterpiece of action, and his mission is barely accomplished, the noose being around the convict's neck even as the exhausted cowboy rushes into the courtyard.

The General's Daughter is a Vitagraph story of the war in the Sudan, with the Mahdi, the Howling Derivatives, and Arabs during the Kitchen campaign, and is seen to the currying in the arid desert of the east. A touch of realism is introduced throughout the picture, by camels being utilized as a means of transportation, and the appearance of the Scotch kilts is the signal for a burst of applause.

AT POLI'S.

There will be a matinee of "Are You a Mason?" this afternoon for which there is a big advance sale. The Poli Players have been making the audience shriek and roar at the funny situations and complications in the popular farce. For next week the company is rehearsing "Salomy Jane" under the direction of J. Francis Kirk, and one of the company's productions are seen in stock here is assured. Seats are now on sale.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Free Schoolbooks and Supplies.

Mr. Editor: One of the propositions which will come up at the town election, viz.: that of authorizing the school visitors to purchase the necessary schoolbooks and supplies for the pupils in the Norwich public schools, deserves the favorable consideration of every voter.

While the free textbook agitation in Connecticut has been comparatively recent, it is interesting to know that New York city has been furnishing books to the pupils for over a century, the practice dating back to 1806. Even in "Slowtown," or Philadelphia, books have been free for nearly a century, as it was adopted in 1818. Boston, Washington, St. Louis, Cleveland and other large cities have successfully and economically introduced the system and in several states, notably Indiana and Texas, laws have been passed prescribing uniform textbooks and regulating prices and the states have published the textbooks themselves. In Chicago, the book combine annually dished \$100,000 from the parents of Chicago's school children until the city council was called on to authorize the printing and compilation by the board of education of all textbooks to be used in the public schools.

In 1905, the Connecticut state legislature took an advanced step when it enacted a law making it mandatory for all towns which had not adopted this enlightened policy to vote on the question. Seventy-two out of the 117 towns which voted on the proposition favored it and now at least 123 or nearly 75 per cent. of Connecticut towns are enjoying the benefits of free textbooks. It is in operation in thirteen of the twenty-one towns in New London county. In Norwich the Town street school district has it. Every city in Connecticut of the size of Norwich or larger has adopted the system and in Middletown the question will be voted upon this year. A petition signed by twenty legal voters is sufficient to bring the question before the voters of any town which has not adopted it. Education is not free when pupils are compelled to purchase the required textbooks and supplies. The states publishing their own textbooks sell them at ridiculously low prices when compared with the retail cost of books published by the schoolbook trust. Some of these states have supplied free books for a quarter of a century and longer, with the most satisfactory results to the general public.

One of the reasons which militates against the desirability of Norwich as a residential city is that it lags behind in educational matters. Norwich needs free schoolbooks and supplies, consolidation of school districts, a high school which is free to all, and a manual training or trades school.

EDWARD PERKINS CLARKE, Norwich, Conn., Sept. 20, 1911.

Milford.—Capt. James Totten, U. S. A., who has been making a short stay at the Totten homestead on Pond street, left for his duties at Fort Totten in New York harbor yesterday afternoon.

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Brief State News

Windsor.—A. H. Brown of Poquonock has the record of being the first tobacco grower in town to deliver to the buyers any portion of the 1911 crop.

Bristol.—The New Departure Manufacturing company has posted notices that certain portions of their factory will be operated nights until further notice.

New Britain.—Mayor J. M. Halloran has received an invitation to have New Britain represented by delegates at the American mining congress at Chicago Oct. 24 to 28.

Essex.—The steam yacht *Cigarette* of Boston, Capt. Frank T. Torrey, arrived here on Sunday afternoon to be put in her winter quarters at the North Cove channel.

Manchester.—Forty-nine years ago Sunday Charles McKee, a native of Manchester, was badly wounded in the battle of Antietam, and Sunday he was buried in the East cemetery.

Hartford.—Charles Battell Loomis, the author, who is at the Hartford hospital, celebrated his 50th anniversary with an informal family reunion at the institution on Saturday.

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